

9. *The magnitude of the error in sound ranging.*—Let us consider the reduced problem in which the time is given for two stations A and B , then G lies on one branch of a hyperbola with A and B as foci. Let a be the semi-major axis of this hyperbola and let $AB=2c$, then the equation of the hyperbola, when the origin is taken at 0, the middle point of AB , is—

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{c^2 - a^2} = 1. \quad (8)$$

If the times vary slightly on account of errors in timing, while A and B remain fixed, a varies and the hyperbola is changed into a confocal hyperbola while the increments of x, y, a , are connected by the relation

$$\frac{2xdx}{a^2} - \frac{2ydy}{c^2 - a^2} = 2ada \left[\frac{x^2}{a^4} + \frac{y^2}{(c^2 - a^2)^2} \right] = 2\frac{da}{a} \left[1 + \frac{c^2 y^2}{(c^2 - a^2)^2} \right].$$

The total displacement of G is least when

$$dx = \lambda \frac{x}{a^2}, \quad dy = -\frac{\lambda y}{c^2 - a^2}, \quad \lambda = ada,$$

and then

$$ds = \sqrt{(dx)^2 + (dy)^2} = ada \left[\frac{x^2}{a^4} + \frac{y^2}{(c^2 - a^2)^2} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} = da \left[1 + \frac{c^2 y^2}{(c^2 - a^2)^2} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

If, on the other hand, $dx = 0$, we have

$$dy = -\frac{c^2 - a^2}{ay} da \left[1 + \frac{c^2 y^2}{(c^2 - a^2)^2} \right].$$

To get an idea of the magnitude of these quantities let us take the case when $c^2 = 2a^2$,

$$\text{then } ds = da \left[1 + \frac{4y^2}{c^2} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad dy = -\frac{a}{y} da \left[1 + \frac{4y^2}{c^2} \right].$$

If $V = 1,100$ feet a second, an error in timing of $1/100$ second may mean an error in $2a$ of 11 feet.

The following table then gives the magnitude of the error in ranging for different values of the ratio $y:c$.

TABLE 2.—Magnitude of error in ranging.

$y:c$	ds	dy
$\sqrt{2}$	Feet.	Feet.
$\sqrt{12}$	$16\frac{1}{2}$	$24\frac{1}{2}$
$\sqrt{42}$	$38\frac{1}{2}$	55
$\sqrt{120}$	$71\frac{1}{2}$	101
	$225\frac{1}{2}$	315

When the wind is blowing, the points A and B are displaced slightly from their true positions on account of the error in timing, but if the wind velocity is as large as 20 feet a second the displacement caused by an error of $1/100$ second in timing is only 2 feet.

Let us now estimate the magnitude of the error introduced when the asymptote of the hyperbola is used instead of the hyperbola. Since the equation of the asymptotes is

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{c^2 - a^2} = 0,$$

we find on subtracting from (8) that $2ydy = c^2 - a^2$. Writing $c^2 = 2a^2$ as before, we find that if $AB = 2c = 1,000$ feet, $y = 10,000$ feet, $dy = 6\frac{1}{2}$ feet.

The error introduced by using the asymptote of the circular cubic, in the method in which the velocity of sound is eliminated, is more difficult to determine; it is probably larger than in the case just discussed but still not large enough to be important.

To get some idea of the error in time arising from the circumstance that sound may travel through the upper air instead of along a horizontal path, let us consider the simple case in which there is no wind and the velocity of sound increases upward. The range is now given by the formula

$$R = \frac{2V_0}{\sigma} \sinh \frac{\sigma t}{2}$$

Taking $\sigma = 0.04$, $t = 10$ seconds, we have

$$\frac{\sigma t}{2} = 0.2, \quad \sinh \frac{\sigma t}{2} = 0.20134, \quad R = 55,000 \times 0.20134,$$

$$\frac{R}{V_0} - t = 50 \times 0.00134 = 0.067.$$

The difference in time is thus about $7/100$ second in a range of about 2 miles and may cause a serious error in sound ranging if no attention is paid to the effect of the meteorological conditions.

MEAN VALUES OF FREE-AIR BAROMETRIC AND VAPOR PRESSURES, TEMPERATURES, AND DENSITIES OVER THE UNITED STATES.

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Although numerous free-air observations have been made, and are being made, in different parts of the United States, mean values of certain reduced data have thus far not been published. Temperature, humidity, and wind data, as observed at Mount Weather, Va., have been summarized in the Bulletin of the Mount Weather Observatory, 1913, v. 6, pts. 4 and 5, and similar summaries of observations by means of sounding balloons at different points in this country have been presented in the same publication, v. 4, pt. 4, and in the MONTHLY WEATHER REVIEW, July, 1914, and May, 1916. A paper on "The Planetary System of Convection" by Dr. (now Major) Wm. R. Blair, appeared in the MONTHLY WEATHER REVIEW, April, 1916. The conclusions reached in the latter paper were based on all available free-air observations made in the United States and in other parts of the world. More recently a brief summary, with special reference to the needs of aeronauts, has been prepared by Maj. W. R. Blair and published by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics as Report No. 13. None of these summaries has included free-air pressures and densities. As a knowledge of these data is of great importance in connection with aviation and the firing of projectiles, it has been thought best to publish in brief tabular form their average values as determined from all available observations thus far made by the U. S. Weather Bureau in this country. At a later time similar tables will be furnished for additional stations which are now being established.

Table 1, below, gives mean monthly, seasonal, and annual free-air pressures, temperatures, vapor pressures, and densities as observed at Mount Weather, Va. Pressures and vapor pressures are expressed in both metric and dynamic units, temperatures on the centigrade and approximate absolute ($273 + t^\circ C$) scale, and

densities in percentages of standard density (dry air at 760 mm. pressure, 0° C., and latitude 45°, = 1.293 kgm. per cu. m., approximately) and in kilograms per cubic meter. The temperatures have been published in the Bulletin of the Mount Weather Observatory, v. 6, pt. 4, and are repeated here for convenience in considering them in connection with the other data. They are based on five years' observations. The pressures are based on three years', and the vapor pressures on one year's observations. The vapor pressures are given only to 3 kilometers, observations at higher levels being too few in number to be accepted as reliable means. The values in the first column under "Density" have been computed from the formula

$$\rho = \frac{b - 0.378e}{T} \times K,$$

in which

ρ = density,

b and e = barometric and vapor pressures, respectively,

T = approximate absolute temperature ($273 + t^{\circ}\text{C}$),

K = a constant, depending upon the conditions of pressure and temperature that are accepted as standard, viz., 760 mm. pressure and 0° C., or $K = 0.35921$.

The values in the second column are obtained by multiplying those in the first column by 1.293 kgm. per cu. m. Values at sea level and at an altitude of 500 meters have been estimated by extrapolation. In computing densities above 3 kilometers estimated values of vapor pressure, based on those in Table 3, have been used. The correction due to vapor pressure at these altitudes is, however, small.

For the convenience of those who prefer these values in English units Table 2 has been prepared. In this table altitudes are expressed in feet, barometric and vapor pressures in inches of mercury, temperatures in Fahrenheit degrees, and densities in percentages of standard density (dry air at 29.92 in. pressure, 32°F., and latitude 45°, = 0.08071 lbs. per cu. ft.) and in pounds per cubic foot.

Tables 3 and 4 give data similar to those in Tables 1 and 2, respectively, but are based on sounding balloon observations at Fort Omaha, Nebr., Indianapolis, Ind., Huron, S. Dak., and Avalon, Cal. These observations are too few in number to give reliable monthly means, but the seasonal and especially the annual means are considered fairly representative of conditions in the Central and Western States.

It should, of course, be understood that the figures published in all of these tables are not strictly average values, as they are based for the most part upon observations made in the daytime. The temperatures in the lower levels are somewhat higher than the 24-hour means and the densities therefore slightly lower. In general they may be said to represent very closely daytime conditions up to about 2,000 meters (1½ miles) above sea-level and both day and night conditions at higher altitudes.

Table 5 presents the mean annual atmospheric pressures, temperatures, and densities at various heights above sea level as observed in England. This table was published by Capt. H. T. Tizard, R. F. C., in The Aeronautical Journal, April-June, 1917, page 109, and contains "the mean results of a long series of actual observations made by Mr. W. H. Dines, F. R. S."

For convenience of comparison the annual values of density, given in Tables 1, 3, and 5 are presented in Table 6. This table shows that, at low altitudes, higher densities obtain over England than over the United States. The former are not corrected for vapor pressure, but this correction would be small. The difference is due mainly to the lower temperatures in England. At altitudes above 3 kilometers the agreement is close. So far as is known to the writer free-air densities have not been published for other countries, and further comparisons are therefore not possible at this time.

Much assistance in the preparation of Tables 1 to 4, inclusive, has been rendered by Mr. William S. Cloud, of this division.

TABLE 1.—Mean free-air pressures, temperatures, vapor pressures, and densities, as observed at Mount Weather, Va.

January.									
Altitudes above M. S. L.	Pressures.		Temperatures.		Vapor pressures.		Densities.		
m.	mm.	mb.	°C.	°A.	mm.	mb.	%	kg./cu.m.	
0	761.2	1014.9	-0.2	272.8	2.09	2.79	100.1	1.295	
500	718.7	958.2	-1.3	271.7	2.06	2.75	94.9	1.227	
526	716.5	955.3	-1.3	271.7	2.06	2.75	94.6	1.224	
1000	675.1	900.1	-2.0	271.0	1.98	2.64	89.4	1.156	
1500	634.9	846.5	-2.9	270.1	1.80	2.40	84.3	1.091	
2000	595.2	793.6	-4.0	269.0	1.67	2.23	79.4	1.027	
2500	559.1	745.3	-5.7	267.3	1.42	1.89	75.1	0.971	
3000	524.3	699.1	-8.2	264.8	1.10	1.47	71.1	0.919	
3500	491.8	655.7	-10.9	262.1	.....	.....	67.4	0.871
4000	462.0	616.0	-13.6	259.4	.....	.....	64.0	0.827
4500	* 439.9	* 586.5	-16.4	256.6	.....	.....	* 61.6	* 0.796
5000	.....	.....	-19.4	253.6	.....	.....	.....	.....

February.

0	762.0	1016.0	1.1	274.1	3.18	4.24	99.7	1.289
500	717.5	956.8	-0.7	272.3	2.41	3.21	94.5	1.222
526	715.5	954.0	-0.8	272.2	2.40	3.20	94.3	1.219
1000	674.1	898.8	-2.4	270.6	1.95	2.60	89.4	1.156
1500	632.8	843.7	-3.4	269.6	1.76	2.35	84.2	1.089
2000	593.7	791.6	-4.8	268.2	1.50	2.00	79.4	1.027
2500	558.0	744.0	-6.8	266.2	0.93	1.24	75.2	0.973
3000	523.7	698.3	-9.0	264.0	0.74	0.99	71.2	0.921
3500	491.6	655.5	-12.0	261.0	.....	.....	67.6	0.874
4000	463.3	617.7	-14.8	258.2	.....	.....	64.4	0.833
4500	434.5	579.3	-17.7	255.3	.....	.....	61.1	0.790
5000	.....	.....	-21.1	251.9	.....	.....	.....	.....

March.

0	761.7	1015.6	6.9	279.9	4.93	6.57	97.5	1.261
500	718.8	958.4	4.7	277.7	2.77	5.59	92.8	1.200
526	716.1	954.8	4.6	277.6	4.13	5.51	92.5	1.195
1000	675.4	900.5	2.5	275.5	3.46	4.61	87.9	1.136
1500	634.0	846.5	0.7	273.7	2.75	3.67	83.2	1.076
2000	596.6	795.4	-1.3	271.7	2.14	2.85	78.8	1.018
2500	560.2	746.9	-3.6	269.4	1.43	1.91	74.6	0.965
3000	526.3	701.7	-6.2	266.8	0.89	1.19	70.8	0.916
3500	495.0	660.0	-8.9	264.1	.....	.....	67.3	0.870
4000	464.6	619.5	-11.8	261.2	.....	.....	63.9	0.826
4500	435.8	581.1	-15.1	257.9	.....	.....	60.7	0.785
5000	414.7	552.9	-18.1	254.9	.....	.....	58.4	0.756

April.

0	761.0	1014.6	13.9	286.9	7.92	10.56	94.9	1.227
500	718.6	958.1	10.5	283.5	6.68	8.91	90.7	1.173
526	716.2	954.9	10.4	283.4	6.62	8.83	90.5	1.170
1000	676.5	902.0	7.4	280.4	5.48	7.31	86.4	1.117
1500	636.5	848.6	4.6	277.6	4.52	6.03	82.1	1.062
2000	595.8	798.0	1.7	274.7	3.63	4.84	78.1	1.010
2500	562.5	750.0	-0.9	272.1	2.85	3.80	74.1	0.958
3000	528.6	704.8	-3.6	269.4	2.17	2.89	70.4	0.916
3500	496.1	661.5	-6.7	266.3	.....	.....	66.8	0.864
4000	464.8	619.7	-9.7	263.3	.....	.....	63.4	0.819
4500	433.8	578.4	-13.0	260.0	.....	.....	59.9	0.774
5000	402.2	536.3	-16.0	257.0	.....	.....	56.2	0.727
6000	* 362.8	* 483.7	-22.7	250.3	.....	.....	* 52.1	* 0.673
7000	-29.3	243.7

* Based on few observations; figures not regarded as reliable.

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May.

Altitudes above M. S. L.	Pressures.		Temperatures.		Vapor pressures.		Densities.	
m.	mm.	mb.	°C.	°A.	mm.	mb.	%	kg./cu.m.
0	760.2	1013.6	20.9	293.9	11.32	15.00	92.4	1.195
500	718.1	958.2	17.1	290.1	9.40	12.53	88.5	1.145
526	716.4	955.2	17.0	290.0	9.30	12.40	88.3	1.142
1000	677.6	903.4	13.4	286.4	7.49	9.99	94.6	1.094
1500	638.4	851.2	9.9	282.9	5.58	7.44	80.8	1.045
2000	601.0	801.3	6.6	279.6	4.02	5.36	77.0	0.996
2500	565.5	754.0	3.5	276.5	2.83	3.77	73.3	0.948
3000	531.7	708.9	0.5	273.5	2.18	2.91	69.7	0.902
3500	499.9	666.5	-2.6	270.4	—	—	66.3	0.858
4000	468.5	624.8	-5.7	267.3	—	—	62.9	0.813
4500	438.6	584.9	-9.1	263.0	—	—	59.7	0.771
5000	409.6	546.1	-13.1	259.0	—	—	56.6	0.732
6000	352.9	470.5	-19.5	253.5	—	—	50.0	0.647
7000	—	—	-25.1	247.9	—	—	—	—

June.

0	758.9	1011.8	23.2	296.2	14.30	19.07	91.4	1.182
500	718.1	957.4	19.9	292.9	12.00	16.00	87.5	1.132
526	716.0	954.6	19.7	292.7	11.88	15.84	87.3	1.129
1000	677.5	903.3	16.7	289.7	9.70	12.93	83.5	1.080
1500	639.7	851.6	13.7	286.7	7.41	9.88	79.7	1.030
2000	601.6	802.1	10.8	283.8	5.63	7.51	75.9	0.981
2500	566.5	755.3	8.0	281.0	4.02	5.36	72.2	0.934
3000	533.1	710.8	5.1	278.1	2.90	3.87	68.7	0.888
3500	501.6	668.8	1.9	274.9	—	—	65.4	0.846
4000	471.6	628.9	-1.5	271.5	—	—	62.3	0.806
4500	443.2	590.9	-4.9	268.1	—	—	59.3	0.767
5000	416.5	555.4	-7.7	265.3	—	—	56.4	0.729

July.

0	759.0	1012.0	26.6	299.6	17.05	22.73	90.2	1.167
500	717.8	957.0	23.0	296.0	13.87	18.49	86.5	1.118
526	716.4	955.2	22.8	295.8	13.74	18.32	86.4	1.117
1000	678.4	904.5	19.3	292.3	10.91	14.55	82.9	1.072
1500	640.1	853.4	15.9	288.9	8.54	11.38	79.2	1.024
2000	603.2	804.2	12.7	285.7	6.28	8.37	75.5	0.977
2500	568.1	757.5	9.7	282.7	4.52	6.02	72.0	0.930
3000	535.4	713.9	6.8	279.8	3.04	4.05	68.6	0.887
3500	503.7	671.6	3.5	276.5	—	—	65.3	0.845
4000	474.0	632.1	0.1	273.1	—	—	62.3	0.805
4500	444.3	592.5	-3.2	269.8	—	—	59.1	0.764
5000	417.8	557.2	-6.3	266.7	—	—	56.2	0.727
6000	*372.0	*496.1	-12.1	260.9	—	*51.2	*0.662	—
7000	—	—	-17.9	255.1	—	—	—	—

August.

0	762.3	1016.4	25.2	298.2	20.35	27.13	90.9	1.175
500	720.2	960.2	21.7	294.7	15.82	21.09	87.1	1.126
526	717.7	956.9	21.5	294.5	15.59	20.78	86.8	1.123
1000	679.6	906.1	18.3	291.3	11.51	15.35	83.3	1.077
1500	640.9	854.5	15.3	288.3	8.99	11.99	79.4	1.027
2000	604.3	805.7	12.5	285.5	6.63	8.84	75.7	0.979
2500	568.4	759.2	9.8	282.8	4.73	6.30	72.1	0.932
3000	536.3	715.1	6.8	279.8	3.48	4.64	68.7	0.888
3500	504.5	672.7	3.8	276.8	—	—	65.3	0.845
4000	474.0	633.3	0.7	273.7	—	—	62.2	0.804
4500	446.0	594.8	-2.7	270.3	—	—	59.2	0.765
5000	—	—	-6.8	266.2	—	—	—	—
6000	—	—	-16.2	256.8	—	—	—	—

September.

0	762.6	1016.8	22.5	295.5	15.21	21.28	92.0	1.190
500	721.0	961.3	19.2	292.2	12.68	17.91	88.0	1.138
526	718.5	958.0	19.0	292.0	12.53	18.70	87.8	1.135
1000	679.8	906.4	16.1	289.1	10.16	13.54	84.0	1.086
1500	641.5	853.3	13.5	286.5	8.47	11.29	80.3	1.038
2000	604.1	805.4	11.4	284.4	5.76	7.68	76.0	0.983
2500	566.0	758.7	9.0	282.0	4.82	6.43	72.2	0.934
3000	535.8	714.4	6.2	279.2	3.98	5.31	68.7	0.889
3500	504.4	672.5	3.1	276.1	—	—	65.5	0.846
4000	474.7	633.0	-0.2	272.8	—	—	62.4	0.806
4500	444.9	593.3	-3.7	269.3	—	—	59.2	0.766
5000	417.4	556.6	-6.6	266.4	—	—	56.2	0.726
6000	—	—	-11.1	261.9	—	—	—	—

*Based on few observations; figures not regarded as reliable.

October.

Altitudes above M. S. L.	Pressures.		Temperatures.		Vapor pressures.		Densities.	
m.	mm.	mb.	°C.	°A.	mm.	mb.	%	kg./cu.m.
0	761.2	1014.9	14.8	287.5	9.68	13.91	94.5	1.222
500	720.3	980.4	11.9	284.9	8.30	12.07	90.4	1.169
526	717.5	956.6	11.7	284.7	8.25	11.00	90.1	1.166
1000	677.9	903.8	9.0	282.0	6.98	9.30	86.0	1.112
1500	640.5	854.0	7.1	280.1	5.83	7.77	81.9	1.058
2000	600.7	800.9	5.5	278.5	4.67	6.23	77.2	0.999
2500	565.0	753.3	3.5	276.5	4.65	6.20	73.2	0.946
3000	531.4	708.5	1.0	274.0	3.20	4.27	69.5	0.899
3500	498.7	664.9	-1.9	271.1	—	—	66.1	0.854
4000	469.0	625.4	-4.7	268.3	—	—	62.7	0.811
4500	439.7	586.4	-7.5	265.5	—	—	59.4	0.768
5000	411.4	548.6	-10.9	262.1	—	—	56.3	0.728
6000	*369.3	*492.5	-17.2	255.8	—	—	*51.8	*0.670
7000	—	—	-26.0	247.0	—	—	—	—

November.

0	762.0	1016.0	7.9	280.9	4.24	5.65	97.2	1.257
500	718.9	958.5	5.2	278.2	3.60	4.80	92.6	1.198
526	716.1	954.8	5.1	278.1	3.56	4.75	92.3	1.194
1000	675.6	900.8	2.8	275.8	2.97	3.96	87.8	1.136
1500	634.9	846.5	0.7	273.7	2.36	3.15	83.2	1.076
2000	596.5	795.3	-0.9	272.1	2.00	2.66	78.6	1.017
2500	560.1	746.8	-2.9	270.1	1.70	2.26	74.4	0.962
3000	526.1	701.5	-5.5	267.5	1.67	2.23	70.6	0.912
3500	493.5	658.0	-8.3	264.7	—	—	66.9	0.865
4000	464.8	619.8	-11.4	261.6	—	—	63.8	0.825
4500	435.6	580.9	-14.5	258.5	—	—	60.5	0.783
5000	408.1	544.2	-17.5	255.5	—	—	57.4	0.742
6000	—	—	-23.0	250.0	—	—	—	—

December.

0	760.0	1013.3	14.0	287.0	7
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TABLE 1.—Mean free-air pressures, temperatures, vapor pressures, and densities, as observed at Mount Weather, Va.—Continued.

Fall.									
Altitudes above M. S. L.	Pressures.		Temperatures.		Vapor pressures.		Densities.		
m.	mm.	mb.	°C.	°A.	mm.	mb.	%	kg./cu.m.	
0	762.0	1016.0	15.1	288.1	9.03	12.04	94.6	1.223	
500	720.0	960.0	12.1	285.1	7.85	10.20	90.4	1.168	
526	717.4	956.5	12.0	285.0	7.58	10.10	90.1	1.164	
1000	677.8	903.7	9.4	282.4	6.28	8.37	85.9	1.111	
1500	639.0	852.0	7.3	280.3	5.14	6.85	81.6	1.056	
2000	600.4	800.5	5.6	278.6	4.03	5.37	77.2	0.998	
2500	564.7	752.9	3.5	276.5	3.59	4.79	72.9	0.943	
3000	531.1	708.1	0.9	273.9	3.08	4.11	69.5	0.898	
3500	498.9	655.2	—2.0	271.0	—	—	66.0	0.854	
4000	469.5	626.0	—5.0	268.0	—	—	62.8	0.813	
4500	440.1	586.8	—8.1	264.9	—	—	59.6	0.771	
5000	412.3	549.7	—11.2	261.8	—	—	56.5	0.731	
6000	*369.3	*492.4	—17.1	255.9	—	—	*51.8	*0.670	
7000	—	—	—27.4	245.6	—	—	—	—	

Winter.

Winter.									
Altitudes above M. S. L.	Pressures.		Temperatures.		Vapor pressures.		Densities.		
m.	mm.	mb.	°C.	°A.	mm.	mb.	%	kg./cu.m.	
0	765.0	1020.0	0.7	273.7	3.18	4.24	100.2	1.296	
500	720.0	960.0	—0.7	272.3	2.89	3.85	94.8	1.226	
526	718.0	957.3	—0.8	272.2	2.87	3.83	94.6	1.223	
1000	674.6	899.4	—2.1	270.9	2.54	3.39	89.3	1.155	
1500	633.6	844.8	—3.0	270.0	2.24	2.99	84.2	1.089	
2000	594.4	792.5	—4.2	268.8	2.03	2.71	79.3	1.026	
2500	558.3	744.4	—6.0	267.0	1.58	2.10	75.0	0.970	
3000	523.6	698.1	—8.4	264.6	1.21	1.61	71.0	0.918	
3500	491.6	655.5	—11.3	261.8	—	—	67.4	0.871	
4000	462.0	616.0	—13.9	259.1	—	—	64.0	0.828	
4500	435.3	580.4	—18.8	256.2	—	—	61.0	0.789	
5000	*397.5	*530.0	—19.7	253.3	—	—	*56.3	*0.728	

Year.

Year.									
Altitudes above M. S. L.	Pressures.		Temperatures.		Vapor pressures.		Densities.		
m.	mm.	mb.	°C.	°A.	mm.	mb.	%	kg./cu.m.	
0	760.0	1013.3	13.7	286.7	8.62	11.49	94.8	1.228	
500	718.5	958.0	11.0	284.0	7.23	9.64	90.5	1.171	
526	716.6	955.4	10.9	283.9	7.14	9.52	90.3	1.168	
1000	678.6	902.4	8.4	281.4	5.87	7.82	86.1	1.113	
1500	637.3	842.7	6.2	279.2	4.55	6.07	81.8	1.057	
2000	599.2	798.9	4.0	277.0	3.80	4.80	77.5	1.002	
2500	563.4	751.2	1.7	274.7	2.80	3.73	73.5	0.951	
3000	523.6	706.1	—1.0	272.0	2.15	2.87	69.8	0.903	
3500	497.7	663.6	—4.0	269.0	—	—	66.4	0.858	
4000	467.8	623.7	—7.0	266.0	—	—	63.1	0.816	
4500	439.0	585.3	—10.2	262.8	—	—	60.0	0.775	
5000	409.0	545.3	—13.3	259.7	—	—	56.8	0.731	
6000	*386.4	*488.5	—19.8	253.2	—	—	*52.0	*0.672	
7000	—	—	—27.1	245.9	—	—	—	—	

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TABLE 2.—Mean free-air pressures, temperatures, vapor pressures, and densities, as observed at Mount Weather, Va. (English measures).

January.

Altitudes above M. S. L.	Pressures.	Temperatures.	Vapor pressures.	Densities.
Feet.	Inches.	°F.	_inches.	%
0	29.97	31.6	0.08	100.2
1000	28.96	30.4	.08	97.0
2000	27.94	29.5	.08	93.8
3000	26.92	28.6	.08	90.5
4000	25.90	27.7	.08	87.2
5000	24.93	26.6	.07	84.1
6000	23.99	25.5	0.07	81.2
7000	23.08	24.1	.06	78.3
8000	22.20	22.3	.06	75.6
9000	21.34	19.6	.05	73.1
10000	20.50	16.7	.04	70.6
11000	19.71	13.8	—	68.3
12000	18.96	10.9	—	66.2
13000	18.28	7.9	—	64.2
14000	*17.71	5.0	*52.6	*50.5
15000	—	1.8	—	—
16000	—	-1.5	—	—
17000	—	-4.9	—	—
18000	—	-8.1	—	—

*Based on few observations; figures not regarded as reliable.

TABLE 2.—Mean free-air pressures, temperatures, vapor pressures, and densities, as observed at Mount Weather, Va. (English measures)—Con.

Altitudes above M. S. L.	Pressures.	Temperatures.	Vapor pressures.	Densities.
Feet.	Inches.	°F.	_inches.	%
0	30.00	34.0	0.13	99.7
1000	28.94	32.0	.11	96.6
2000	27.87	30.0	.09	93.4
3000	26.84	28.2	.08	90.3
4000	25.82	26.8	.07	87.1
5000	24.84	25.7	.07	84.0
6000	23.91	24.3	0.06	81.1
7000	23.02	22.5	.05	78.4
8000	22.16	20.5	.04	75.8
9000	21.30	18.0	.03	73.2
10000	20.48	15.3	.03	70.8
11000	19.70	12.2	—	68.6
12000	18.98	9.0	—	66.5
13000	18.30	5.7	—	64.6
14000	17.63	2.5	—	62.7
15000	—	-0.9	—	—
16000	—	-4.5	—	—
17000	—	-8.3	—	—

March.

Altitudes above M. S. L.	Pressures.	Temperatures.	Vapor pressures.	Densities.
Feet.	Inches.	°F.	_inches.	%
0	29.99	44.4	0.19	97.5
1000	28.97	41.9	.18	94.7
2000	27.92	39.6	.16	91.7
3000	26.91	37.2	.14	88.8
4000	25.90	35.1	.12	85.9
5000	24.92	32.9	.11	83.0
6000	23.98	30.9	0.09	80.2
7000	23.09	28.6	.08	77.5
8000	22.24	26.1	.06	75.2
9000	21.41	23.4	.05	72.8
10000	20.63	20.5	.03	70.6
11000	19.87	17.4	—	68.4
12000	19.10	14.4	—	66.2
13000	18.35	11.1	—	64.1
14000	17.67	7.7	—	62.2
15000	17.06	4.1	—	60.5
16000	16.54	0.9	—	59.0
17000	—	-2.4	—	—

April.

Altitudes above M. S. L.	Pressures.	Temperatures.	Vapor pressures.	Densities.
Feet.	Inches.	°F.	_inches.	%
0	29.96	57.0	0.31	94.9
1000	28.94	53.2	.28	92.4
2000	27.94	49.6	.25	89.9
3000	26.94	46.2	.23	87.3
4000	25.95	43.2	.20	84.5
5000	24.99	39.9	.18	82.0
6000	24.07	36.7	0.15	79.5
7000	23.18	33.6	.14	77.1
8000	22.33	30.7	.12	74.7
9000	21.50	27.9	.10	72.3
10000	20.71	25.0	.08	70.2
11000	19.92	21.6	—	67.9
12000	19.17	18.3	—	65.8
13000	18.38	14.9	—	63.6
14000	17.65	11.5	—	61.5
15000	16.94	7.9	—	59.5
16000	16.26	4.5	—	57.6
17000	15.58	1.0	—	55.6
18000	14.96	-2.8	—	53.8
19000	*14.56	-6.3	—	*52.8
20000	—	-10.1	—	—
21000	—	-13.9	—	—
22000	—	-17.7	—	—
23000	—	-20.9	—	—

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May.

Altitudes above M. S. L.	Pressures.	Temperatures.	Vapor pressures.	Densities.					
				Feet.	Inches.	°F.	Inches.	%	Lbs./cu. ft.
0	29.93	60.6	0.45	92.4	0.0746				
1000	28.94	65.5	.40	90.1	.0727				
2000	27.95	61.3	.38	87.7	.0708				
3000	26.96	57.2	.31	85.3	.0689				
4000	26.00	53.2	.26	83.0	.0670				
5000	25.07	49.5	.22	80.6	.0651				
6000	24.17	45.9	0.18	78.3	0.0632				
7000	23.30	42.4	.15	76.1	.0614				
8000	22.44	39.0	.12	73.8	.0596				
9000	21.61	35.6	.10	71.6	.0578				
10000	20.83	32.4	.09	69.5	.0561				
11000	20.05	28.9	.....	67.3	0.0544				
12000	19.29	25.7	.....	65.2	.0527				
13000	18.54	22.3	.....	63.1	.0510				
14000	17.80	18.7	.....	61.1	.0493				
15000	17.08	14.5	.....	59.2	.0478				
16000	16.35	10.2	.....	57.1	0.0461				
17000	15.57	5.9	.....	55.0	.0444				
18000	14.91	2.3	.....	53.0	.0428				
19000	14.29	— 0.9	.....	51.2	.0413				
20000	—	— 4.0	.....	.....	.....	
21000	—	— 7.2	.....	.....	.....	
22000	—	— 10.5	.....	.....	.....	
23000	—	— 13.2	.....	.....	.....	

June.

Altitudes above M. S. L.	Pressures.	Temperatures.	Vapor pressures.	Densities.					
				Feet.	Inches.	°F.	Inches.	%	Lbs./cu. ft.
0	29.88	73.8	0.56	91.4	0.0738				
1000	28.90	70.2	.51	89.0	.0719				
2000	27.92	66.6	.45	86.6	.0699				
3000	26.94	63.0	.40	84.2	.0680				
4000	26.01	59.5	.34	81.9	.0661				
5000	25.09	56.5	.29	79.6	.0642				
6000	24.20	53.2	0.24	77.3	0.0624				
7000	23.31	50.0	.20	75.0	.0605				
8000	22.49	47.1	.17	72.8	.0587				
9000	21.66	43.9	.14	70.5	.0569				
10000	20.88	40.6	.12	68.5	.0553				
11000	20.12	37.2	.....	66.4	0.0536				
12000	19.39	33.6	.....	64.5	.0521				
13000	18.65	29.8	.....	62.5	.0505				
14000	17.97	26.1	.....	60.7	.0490				
15000	17.32	22.5	.....	59.0	.0476				
16000	16.67	19.4	.....	57.1	0.0461				
17000	16.06	16.3	.....	55.4	.0448				
18000	15.48	13.1	.....	53.8	.0434				

July.

Altitudes above M. S. L.	Pressures.	Temperatures.	Vapor pressures.	Densities.					
				Feet.	Inches.	°F.	Inches.	%	Lbs./cu. ft.
0	29.88	80.0	0.67	90.2	0.0728				
1000	28.90	75.9	.59	88.0	.0710				
2000	27.90	72.0	.52	85.6	.0691				
3000	26.96	67.8	.45	83.5	.0674				
4000	26.05	64.0	.39	81.3	.0656				
5000	25.15	60.4	.33	79.1	.0638				
6000	24.26	56.8	0.28	76.8	0.0620				
7000	23.39	53.4	.23	74.6	.0602				
8000	22.56	50.2	.19	72.4	.0585				
9000	21.73	46.9	.15	70.3	.0567				
10000	20.95	43.7	.12	68.2	.0551				
11000	20.20	40.1	.....	66.3	0.0535				
12000	19.47	36.3	.....	64.4	.0520				
13000	18.74	32.5	.....	62.5	.0504				
14000	18.03	28.9	.....	60.6	.0489				
15000	17.34	25.3	.....	58.7	.0474				
16000	16.71	22.1	.....	57.0	.0460				
17000	16.14	18.9	.....	55.4	.0447				
18000	15.67	15.6	54.2	.0437				
19000	• 15.08	12.6	* 52.5	* .0424				
20000	—	9.3				
21000	—	6.1				
22000	—	2.8				
23000	—	-0.2				

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August.

Altitudes above M. S. L.	Pressures.	Temperatures.	Vapor pressures.	Densities.					
				Feet.	Inches.	°F.	Inches.	%	Lbs./cu. ft.
0	30.01	77.4	0.81	90.9	0.0734				
1000	29.02	78.0	.69	88.6	.0715				
2000	27.99	69.6	.58	86.2	.0696				
3000	27.01	68.0	.48	83.9	.0677				
4000	26.07	62.6	.40	81.5	.0658				
5000	25.16	59.4	.34	79.2	.0640				
6000	24.28	56.3	0.29	77.0	0.0631				
7000	23.42	53.2	.24	74.7	.0603				
8000	22.59	50.4	.20	72.5	.0585				
9000	21.77	47.1	.16	70.4	.0568				
10000	20.98	43.7	.13	68.3	.0552				
11000	20.22	40.3	.....	66.3	0.0535				
12000	19.48	37.0	.....	64.3	.0519				
13000	18.78	33.8	.....	62.4	.0504				
14000	18.11	30.0	.....	60.7	.0490				
15000	26.1	.....	.....	.....	.....
16000	21.6	.....	.....	.....	.....
17000	16.9	.....	.....	.....	.....
18000	12.0	.....	.....	.....	.....
19000	6.8	.....	.....	.....	.....

September.

Altitudes above M. S. L.	Pressures.	Temperatures.	Vapor pressures.	Densities.					
				Feet.	Inches.	°F.	Inches.	%	Lbs./cu. ft.
0	30.02	72.5	0.60	92.0	0.0742				
1000	29.04	68.7	.54	89.7	.0724				
2000	28.03	65.1	.48	87.2	.0704				
3000	27.07	61.9	.42	84.8	.0684				
4000	26.12	59.0	.35	82.3	.0665				
5000	25.20	56.3	.30	79.9	.0645				
6000	24.30	54.0	0.25	77.4	0.0625				
7000	23.41	51.4	.19	75.0	.0606				
8000	22.56	48.9	.17	72.7	.0587				
9000	21.75	45.9	.15	70.5	.0569				
10000	20.97	42.6	.14	68.4	.0552				
11000	20.21	39.2	.....	66.4	0.0536				
12000	19.50	35.8	.....	64.5	.0521				
13000	18.78	32.2	.....	62.6	.0505				
14000	18.06	28.4	.....	60.7	.0490				
15000	17.37	24.3	.....	58.9	.0475				
16000	16.70	20.8	.....	57.0	0.0460				
17000	16.02	19.2	.....	55.0	.....			
18000	15.34	17.4	.....	53.0	.....			
19000	14.66	15.6	.....	51.0	.....			
20000	—	10.4	.....	.....	.....	
21000	—	4.3	.....	.....	.....	
22000	—	-3.3				

October.

Altitudes above M. S. L.	Pressures.	Temperatures.	Vapor pressures.
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TABLE 2.—Mean free-air pressures, temperatures, vapor pressures, and densities, as observed at Mount Weather, Va. (English measures)—Con.

November.

Altitudes above M. S. L.	Pressures.	Temperatures.	Vapor pressures.	Densities.		
				Feet.	Inches.	°F.
0	30.00	46.2	0.17	97.3	0.0785	
1000	28.98	43.2	.15	94.5	.0763	
2000	27.94	40.3	.13	91.7	.0740	
3000	26.90	37.8	.12	88.7	.0718	
4000	25.92	35.2	.11	85.9	.0694	
5000	24.96	33.1	.09	83.1	.0671	
6000	24.04	31.3	.08	80.4	.0649	
7000	23.11	29.5	.07	77.5	.0626	
8000	22.24	27.3	.07	74.9	.0605	
9000	21.38	24.6	.06	72.5	.0585	
10000	20.59	21.7	.06	70.2	.0567	
11000	19.82	18.5		68.0	.0549	
12000	19.09	15.4		66.0	.0532	
13000	18.38	12.0		64.0	.0517	
14000	17.68	8.6		62.0	.0501	
15000	17.00	5.2		60.1	.0485	
16000	16.33	—1.9		58.1	.0469	
17000	15.70	—1.1		56.3	.0454	
18000	15.09	—4.0		54.4	.0439	
19000		—7.2				

December.

Altitudes above M. S. L.	Pressures.	Temperatures.	Vapor pressures.	Densities.		
				Feet.	Inches.	°F.
0	30.01	35.6	0.16	99.4	0.0802	
1000	28.96	33.3	.16	96.3	.0778	
2000	27.90	30.9	.16	93.3	.0753	
3000	26.85	28.9	.16	90.1	.0728	
4000	25.85	27.9	.15	88.9	.0702	
5000	24.87	27.1	.14	83.8	.0676	
6000	23.93	26.1	.13	80.8	.0652	
7000	23.00	24.6	.11	77.9	.0629	
8000	22.13	22.5	.10	75.3	.0608	
9000	21.29	19.8	.08	72.9	.0588	
10000	20.49	16.9	.07	70.6	.0570	
11000	19.72	13.8		68.4	.0552	
12000	18.98	10.9		66.2	.0534	
13000	18.24	7.9		64.0	.0517	
14000	17.53	4.6		62.0	.0500	
15000	16.81	1.2		59.9	.0483	
16000	* 16.01	—1.8		* 57.4	* 0.0463	

Spring.

Altitudes above M. S. L.	Pressures.	Temperatures.	Vapor pressures.	Densities.		
				Feet.	Inches.	°F.
0	29.92	57.2	0.31	94.7	0.0765	
1000	28.93	53.3	.28	92.2	.0744	
2000	27.92	50.4	.25	89.7	.0724	
3000	26.93	46.9	.22	87.1	.0703	
4000	25.96	43.9	.19	84.5	.0682	
5000	25.00	41.0	.17	81.9	.0661	
6000	24.09	38.3	0.14	79.3	.0640	
7000	23.19	35.4	.12	76.8	.0620	
8000	22.33	32.5	.10	74.4	.0601	
9000	21.51	29.5	.08	72.2	.0582	
10000	20.72	26.4	.06	70.0	.0565	
11000	19.95	23.0		67.9	.0548	
12000	19.20	19.8		65.7	.0531	
13000	18.46	16.5		63.7	.0514	
14000	17.76	13.1		61.7	.0498	
15000	17.04	9.3		59.7	.0482	
16000	16.34	5.5		57.7	.0466	
17000	15.65	1.8		55.7	.0450	
18000	15.02	—1.8		53.9	.0435	
19000	* 14.40	—5.4		* 52.1	* 0.0420	
20000		—8.9				
21000		—12.5				
22000		—15.9				
23000		—19.1				

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Summer.

Altitudes above M. S. L.	Pressures.	Temperatures.	Vapor pressures.	Densities.		
				Feet.	Inches.	°F.
0	29.88	77.0	0.68	90.7	0.0732	
1000	28.90	73.2	.59	88.4	.0714	
2000	27.92	69.4	.51	86.1	.0695	
3000	26.98	65.7	.44	83.8	.0677	
4000	26.06	62.2	.38	81.6	.0659	
5000	25.15	58.8	.32	79.3	.0640	
6000	24.25	55.6	.27	77.0	0.0622	
7000	23.37	52.3	.22	74.7	.0603	
8000	22.55	49.3	.18	72.6	.0586	
9000	21.73	46.2	.15	70.4	.0568	
10000	20.94	42.8	.12	68.3	.0552	
11000	20.19	39.4		66.3	0.0536	
12000	19.45	35.8		64.4	.0520	
13000	18.73	32.2		62.5	.0504	
14000	18.03	28.6		60.6	.0489	
15000	17.32	25.0		58.7	.0474	
16000	16.69	21.9		56.9	0.0459	
17000	16.09	18.3		55.3	.0446	
18000	15.55	14.5		53.9	.0435	
19000	* 14.99	10.6		* 52.4	* 0.0423	
20000		6.6				
21000		3.2				
22000		0.0				
23000		—2.9				

Fall.

Altitudes above M. S. L.	Pressures.	Temperatures.	Vapor pressures.	Densities.		
				Feet.	Inches.	°F.
0	30.00	69.2	0.36	94.6	0.0763	
1000	29.01	55.9	.32	92.1	.0743	
2000	27.99	52.7	.29	89.4	.0722	
3000	27.02	49.6	.26	86.9	.0701	
4000	26.06	47.1	.23	84.2	.0680	
5000	25.10	45.0	.20	81.5	.0658	
6000	24.17	43.2	0.17	78.8	0.0636	
7000	23.27	41.0	.15	76.2	.0615	
8000	22.41	38.8	.14	73.7	.0595	
9000	21.58	36.1	.13	71.4	.0578	
10000	20.79	33.1	.12	69.2	.0558	
11000	20.04	29.8		67.1	0.0542	
12000	19.31	26.6		65.2	.0526	
13000	18.59	23.4		63.1	.0510	
14000	17.87	19.9		61.2	.0494	
15000	17.16	16.5		59.2	.0478	
16000	16.52	13.1		57.4	0.0463	
17000	15.90	9.9		55.6	.0449	
18000	15.37	6.6		54.1	.0437	
19000	* 14.87	3.4		* 52.8	* 0.0426	

Winter.

Altitudes above M. S. L.	Pressures.	Temperatures.	Vapor pressures.	Densities.		
				Feet.	Inches.	°F.
0	30.12	33.3	0.13	100.2	0.0809	
1000	29.05	31.6	.12	97.0	.0783	
2000	27.94	30.2	.11	93.6	.0756	
3000	26.86	28.6	.10	90.3	.0729	
4000	25.85	27.5	.09	87.1	.0703	
5000	24.87	26.6	.08	83.9	.0678	
6000	23.93	25.3	.08	81.0	0.0654	
7000	23.02	23.7	.07	78.2	.0631	
8000	22.16	21.6	.06	75.6	.0610	
9000	21.31	19.2	.06	73.1	.0590	
10000	20.51	16.3	.05	70.7	.0571	
11000	19.72	13.3		68.4	0.0553	
12000	18.99	10.2		66.3	.0536	
13000	18.31	7.3		64.4	.0520	
14000	17.65	4.3		62.5	.0504	
15000	16.93	1.0		60.4	.0487	
16000	* 16.02	—2.2		* 57.5	* 0.0464	
17000		—5.6				
18000		—9.0				

*Based on few observations; figures not regarded as reliable.

TABLE 2.—Mean free-air pressures, temperatures, vapor pressures, and densities, as observed at Mount Weather, Va. (English measures)—Con.

Year.

Altitudes above M. S. L.	Pressures.	Temperatures.	Vapor pressures.	Densities.		
				Feet.	Inches.	°F.	Inches.	%	Lbs./cu.ft.
0	29.92	56.7	0.34	94.8	94.8	0.0765
1000	28.93	53.8	.31	92.2	92.2	0.0744
2000	27.94	50.9	.27	89.6	89.6	0.0723
3000	26.94	47.8	.24	86.9	86.9	0.0702
4000	25.95	45.3	.21	84.2	84.2	0.0680
5000	25.00	43.0	.18	81.5	81.5	0.0653
6000	24.09	40.6	0.15	78.0	78.0	0.0637
7000	23.21	38.1	.13	76.5	76.5	0.0617
8000	22.38	35.8	.11	74.1	74.1	0.0598
9000	21.54	32.7	.10	71.8	71.8	0.0579
10000	20.75	29.7	.08	69.6	69.6	0.0562
11000	19.97	26.4	—	67.4	67.4	0.0544
12000	19.25	23.0	—	65.5	65.5	0.0528
13000	18.51	19.8	—	63.4	63.4	0.0512
14000	17.82	16.3	—	61.5	61.5	0.0496
15000	17.11	12.7	—	59.5	59.5	0.0480
16000	16.40	9.3	—	57.4	57.4	0.0464
17000	15.77	5.9	—	55.7	55.7	0.0449
18000	15.24	2.5	—	54.2	54.2	0.0438
19000	* 14.76	— 1.1	—	* 52.9	* 52.9	* 0.0427
20000	—	— 4.9	—	—	—	—
21000	—	— 8.9	—	—	—	—
22000	—	— 12.8	—	—	—	—
23000	—	— 17.0	—	—	—	—

* Based on few observations; figures not regarded as reliable.

TABLE 3.—Mean values of atmospheric pressures, temperatures, vapor pressures, and densities, based on sounding balloon observations at Fort Omaha, Nebr.; Indianapolis, Ind.; Huron, S. Dak.; and Avalon, Cal.—Continued.

Spring.

Altitude above M. S. L.	Pressures.	Temperatures.	Vapor pressures.	Densities.													
				m.	mm.	mb.	°C.	°A.	mm.	mb.	%	kg./cu.m.					
0	757	1009	16.9	289.9	9.45	12.60	93.4	1.207	500	719	1012	23.8	296.8	11.00	14.67	91.4	1.182
500	716	955	13.9	286.9	7.71	10.28	89.3	1.154	1000	678	994	14.9	287.9	7.28	9.71	87.9	1.136
1000	674	890	9.7	282.7	5.93	7.91	85.5	1.105	2000	603	801	10.2	283.2	5.00	8.66	84.2	1.089
2000	597	796	5.0	278.0	3.93	5.25	77.0	0.995	3000	532	709	3.8	276.8	2.99	3.99	80.0	0.986
3000	527	703	0.9	273.9	2.70	3.60	69.0	0.992	4000	468	624	-3.1	269.9	1.69	2.25	82.2	0.904
4000	465	620	-5.1	267.9	1.68	2.25	62.3	0.805	5000	413	551	-9.9	263.1	0.97	1.29	80.4	0.804
5000	409	545	-12.4	260.6	0.75	1.01	56.6	0.732	6000	362	483	-17.1	255.9	0.52	0.70	50.8	0.657
6000	357	476	-17.2	255.8	0.42	0.56	50.1	0.648	7000	317	423	-23.4	249.6	0.29	.39	45.8	.590
7000	311	415	-24.5	248.5	.18	.24	44.9	.581	8000	276	363	-30.6	242.4	.142	.189	40.9	.382
8000	270	360	-35.2	237.8	.10	.133	40.8	.527	9000	240	320	-37.3	235.7	.066	.088	36.6	.473
9000	233	311	-43.4	229.6	.026	.035	36.4	.471	10000	207	276	-43.7	229.3	.029	.039	32.4	.419
10000	201	268	-50.4	222.6	.010	.013	32.4	.419	11000	178	237	-50.3	222.7	0.015	0.020	28.4	0.367
11000	172	229	-53.8	219.2	0.006	0.008	28.2	0.364	12000	153	204	-52.2	220.8	0.010	.013	24.9	.322
12000	148	197	-54.8	218.2	.004	.005	24.4	.315	13000	131	175	-53.9	219.1	.008	.010	21.5	.278
13000	127	169	-55.2	217.8	.004	.005	21.0	.271	14000	113	151	-54.3	218.7	.007	.009	18.6	.240
14000	109	145	-55.4	217.6	.004	.005	18.0	.233	15000	95	127	-55.5	217.5	.006	.008	15.7	.203
15000	95	127	-55.2	217.8	.005	.007	15.7	.203	16000	82	100	-55.4	217.6	0.006	0.008	13.5	0.175
16000	81	108	-56.3	216.7	0.004	0.005	13.4	0.174	17000	70	83	-55.0	218.0	0.005	.007	11.5	.149
17000	69	92	-57.8	215.2	.003	.004	11.5	.149	18000	60	80	-53.5	219.5	.006	.008	9.8	.127
18000	59	79	—	—	—	—	—	—	19000	52	69	-51.0	222.0	.008	.011	8.4	.109
19000	50	67	—	—	—	—	—	—	20000	45	60	-47.2	225.8	.014	.018	7.2	.093
20000	43	57	—	—	—	—	—	—	21000	39	52	-44.6	228.4	0.019	0.025	6.1	0.079
21000	37	49	—	—	—	—	—	—	22000	34	45	-42.5	230.5	.026	.034	5.3	.068
22000	32	43	—	—	—	—	—	—	23000	29	39	-39.9	233.1	.042	.056	4.5	.058
23000	27	36	—	—	—	—	—	—	24000	25	33	-37.2	235.8	.075	.100	3.8	.049
24000	23	31	—	—	—	—	—	—	25000	22	29	-42.2	230.8	.002	.003	3.4	.044
25000	19	25	—	—	—	—	—	—	26000	19	25	-40.2	232.8	0.002	0.003	2.9	0.038
27000	17	23	-39.7	233.3	.002	.003	—	—	28000	14	19	-40.1	232.9	.002	.003	2.2	.028
29000	12	16	-40.5	232.5	.002	.003	1.8	.024	30000	10	13	-40.8	232.2	.002	.003	1.6	.020

TABLE 3.—Mean values of atmospheric pressures, temperatures, vapor pressures, and densities, based on sounding balloon observations at Fort Omaha, Nebr.; Indianapolis, Ind.; Huron, S. Dak.; and Avalon, Cal.—Continued.

Altitude above M. S. L.	Pressures.	Temperatures.	Vapor pressures.	Summer.													
				m.	mm.	mb.	°C.	°A.	m.	mm.	mb.	%	kg./cu.m.				
0	759	1012	23.8	296.8	11.00	14.67	91.4	1.182	500	719	959	19.5	292.5	9.00	12.00	87.9	1.136
500	678	994	14.9	287.9	7.28	9.71	84.2	1.089	1000	603	801	10.2	283.2	5.00	6.66	76.2	0.986
1000	603	801	10.2	283.2	5.00	6.66	80.0	0.986	2000	532	709	3.8	276.8	2.99	3.99	69.0	0.933
2000	532	709	3.8	276.8	2.99	3.99	69.0	0.933	3000	468	624	-3.1	269.9	1.69	2.25	62.2	0.804
3000	468	624	-3.1	269.9	1.69	2.25	62.2	0.804	4000	413	551	-9.9	263.1	0.97	1.29	56.4	0.729
4000	413	551	-9.9	263.1	0.97	1.29	56.4	0.729	5000	362	483	-17.1	255.9	0.52	0.70	50.8	0.657
5000	362	483	-17.1	255.9	0.52	0.70	50.8	0.657	6000	317	423	-23.4	249.6	0.29	.39	45.8	.590
6000	317	423	-23.4	249.6	0.29	.39	45.8	.590	7000	276	363	-30.6	242.4	.142	.189	40.9	.382
7000	276	363	-30.6	242.4	.142	.189	40.9	.382	8000	240	320	-37.3	235.7	.066	.088	36.6	.473
8000	240	320	-37.3	235.7	.066	.088	36.6	.473	9000	207	276	-43.7	229.3	.029	.039	32.4	.419
9000	207	276	-43.7	229.3	.029	.039	32.4	.419	10000	178	237	-50.3	222.7	0.015	0.020	28.4	0.367
10000	178	237	-50.3	222.7	0.015	0.020	28.4	0.367	12000	153	204	-52.2	220.8	0.010	.013	24.9	.322
12000	153	204	-52.2	220.8	0.010	.013	24.9	.322	13000	131	175	-53.9	219.1	.008	.010	21.5	.278
13000	131	175	-53.9	219.1	.008	.010	21.5	.278	14000	113	151	-54.3	218.7	.007	.009	18.6	.240
14000	113	151	-54.3	218.7	.007	.009	18.6	.240	15000	95	127	-55.5	217.5	.006	.008	15.7	.203
15000	95	127	-55.5	217.5	.006	.008	15.7	.203	16000	82	100	-55.4	217.6	0.006	0.008	13.5	0.175
16000	82	100	-55.4	217.6	0.006	0.008	13.5	0.175	17000	70	83	-55.0	218.0	0.005	.007	11.5	.149
17000	70	83	-55.0	218.0	0.005	.007	11.5	.149	18000	60	80	-53.5	219.5	.006	.008	9.8	.127
18000	60	80	-53.5	219.5	.006	.008	9.8	.127	19000	52	69	-51.0	222.0	.008	.011	8.4	.109
19000	52	69	-51.0	222.0	.008	.011	8.4	.109	20000	45	60	-47.2	225.8	.014	.018	7.	

TABLE 3.—Mean values of atmospheric pressures, temperatures, vapor pressures, and densities, based on sounding balloon observations at Fort Omaha, Nebr.; Indianapolis, Ind.; Huron, S. Dak.; and Avalon, Cal.—Continued.

TABLE 4.—Mean values of atmospheric pressures, temperatures, vapor pressures, and densities, based on sounding balloon observations at Fort Omaha, Nebr.; Indianapolis, Ind.; Huron, S. Dak.; and Avalon, Cal. (English measures).

Winter.

Altitude above M. S. L.	Pressures.		Temperatures.		Vapor pressures.		Densities.	
	m.	m.m.	mb.	°C.	°A.	mm.	mb.	%	kg./cu.m.
0	764	1019	6.0	279.0	3.40	4.53	98.2	1.270
500	720	960	2.1	275.1	2.96	3.95	93.9	1.214
1000	677	903	-1.5	271.5	2.48	3.30	89.4	1.152
2000	597	706	-3.3	269.7	1.82	2.43	79.4	1.022
3000	526	701	-7.8	265.2	1.01	1.35	71.2	0.920
4000	462	616	-12.9	260.1	0.57	0.76	63.8	0.824
5000	404	539	-19.4	253.6	.26	.35	57.2	0.740
6000	352	469	-26.1	246.9	0.14	0.19	51.2	0.662
7000	306	408	-33.0	240.0	.05	.07	45.8	0.595
8000	265	353	-39.0	234.0	.028	.037	40.7	0.526
9000	229	305	-45.1	227.9	.015	.020	36.1	0.461
10000	197	263	-48.6	224.4	.009	.012	31.5	0.404
11000	170	227	-50.6	222.4	0.007	0.009	27.5	0.354
12000	146	195	-51.9	221.1	.006	.008	23.7	0.307
13000	125	167	-52.6	220.4	.005	.007	20.4	0.265
14000	107	143	-54.3	218.7	.005	.007	17.6	0.224
15000	91	121	-54.8	218.2	.004	.005	15.0	0.190
16000	78	104	-55.4	217.6	0.004	0.005	12.9	0.167
17000	67	89	-55.2	217.8	.004	.005	11.0	0.144
18000	57	76	-54.6	218.4	.004	.005	9.4	0.124
19000	49	65	-55.2	217.8	.004	.005	8.1	0.104
20000	42	56	-54.3	218.7	.003	.004	6.9	0.084
21000	36	48	-54.0	219.0	0.004	0.005	5.9	0.070
22000	31	41	-46.1	226.9	.003	.004	4.9	0.060
23000	26	35	-46.0	227.0	.004	.005	4.1	0.050
24000	22	29	-45.9	227.1	.004	.005	3.5	0.040

Year

0	780	1013	19. 1	292. 1	10. 54	14. 05	93. 0	1. 202
500	719	959	16. 2	289. 2	8. 47	11. 29	88. 9	1. 150
1000	677	903	13. 3	286. 3	6. 73	8. 97	84. 6	1. 094
2000	601	801	8. 4	281. 4	4. 41	5. 88	76. 1	0. 944
3000	531	708	2. 6	275. 6	2. 72	3. 63	69. 0	. 892
4000	469	825	- 3. 5	269. 5	1. 64	2. 19	62. 4	. 807
5000	412	549	-10. 0	263. 0	0. 90	1. 20	55. 9	. 723
6000	362	483	-16. 5	256. 5	0. 50	0. 67	50. 7	0. 655
7000	316	421	-22. 9	250. 1	. 28	. 37	45. 4	. 586
8000	275	367	-29. 6	243. 4	. 153	. 204	40. 6	. 524
9000	239	319	-36. 2	236. 8	. 080	. 107	36. 2	. 468
10000	207	276	-41. 9	231. 1	. 040	. 053	32. 2	. 416
11000	179	239	-46. 8	226. 2	0. 019	0. 025	28. 4	0. 367
12000	154	205	-50. 4	222. 6	. 010	. 013	24. 8	. 321
13000	132	176	-52. 3	220. 7	. 007	. 009	21. 5	. 275
14000	113	151	-54. 1	218. 9	. 006	. 008	18. 5	. 240
15000	97	129	-55. 8	217. 4	. 004	. 005	16. 0	. 207
16000	83	111	-56. 5	216. 5	0. 004	0. 005	13. 8	0. 178
17000	71	95	-56. 0	217. 0	. 004	. 005	11. 8	. 151
18000	61	81	-54. 7	218. 3	. 004	. 005	10. 0	. 130
19000	53	71	-53. 1	219. 9	. 006	. 008	8. 6	. 112
20000	46	61	-50. 9	222. 1	. 007	. 009	7. 4	. 090
21000	39	52	-49. 3	223. 7	0. 010	0. 013	6. 3	0. 081
22000	34	45	-46. 6	226. 4	. 014	. 019	5. 3	. 068
23000	29	39	-44. 0	229. 0	. 022	. 029	4. 4	. 057
24000	25	33	-40. 3	232. 7	. 038	. 051	3. 9	. 056
25000	22	29	-40. 3	232. 7	. 023	. 031	3. 4	. 044
26000	19	25	-39. 0	234. 0	. 020	. 027	2. 9	0. 038
27000	16	21	-38. 2	234. 8	. 015	. 020	2. 5	. 031
28000	15	20	-38. 0	235. 0	. 026	. 035	2. 3	. 030
29000	14	19	-37. 1	235. 9	. 028	. 037	2. 1	. 028
30000	12	16	-36. 8	236. 2	. 030	. 040	1. 8	. 026
31000	11	15	-34. 0	239. 0	0. 051	0. 068	1. 7	0. 024
32000	10	13	-41. 9	231. 1	. 004	. 005	1. 6	. 023

Spring.

Altitude above M. S. L.	Pressures.	Tempera- tures.	Vapor pressures.	Densities.	
Feet.	Inches.	° F.	Inches.	%	Lbs./cu. ft.
0	29.80	62.4	0.372	93.4	0.0754
1000	28.82	59.2	.330	90.9	.0734
2000	27.84	56.1	.287	88.3	.0713
3000	26.85	52.7	.245	85.8	.0693
4000	25.87	49.5	.211	83.2	.0672
5000	24.92	46.4	.187	80.7	.0651
6000	24.02	43.3	0.166	78.3	0.0632
7000	23.15	40.3	.149	75.9	.0612
8000	22.28	37.4	.133	73.5	.0593
9000	21.46	34.5	.118	71.2	.0575
10000	20.63	31.6	.105	68.9	.0556
11000	19.80	28.8	0.091	66.5	0.0537
12000	19.06	26.1	.079	64.4	.0520
13000	18.35	22.6	.067	62.5	.0504
14000	17.64	19.6	.056	60.4	.0488
15000	16.97	16.5	.045	58.5	.0472
16000	16.34	13.3	0.034	56.7	0.0457
17000	15.71	10.2	.027	54.9	.0443
18000	15.12	6.5	.022	53.2	.0430
19000	14.53	3.6	.019	51.6	.0416
20000	13.94	0.3	.016	49.8	.0402
21000	13.39	- 3.3	0.013	48.2	0.0388
22000	12.83	- 7.1	.010	46.6	.0376
23000	12.28	-11.4	.007	45.0	.0364
24000	11.77	-15.9	.006	43.6	.0352
25000	11.26	-20.7	.005	42.2	.0340
26000	10.79	-26.0	0.004	40.9	0.0330
27000	10.31	-31.5	.003	39.6	.0321
28000	9.84	-37.3	.002	38.3	.0309
29000	9.41	-43.1	.002	37.1	.0300
30000	9.02	-47.9	.002	36.0	.0291
Miles.					
6	8.34	-54.9	0.001	33.9	0.0273
7	6.46	-65.2	.0002	26.9	.0217
8	5.12	-67.2	.0002	21.4	.0173
9	4.02	-67.4	.0002	16.8	.0134
10	3.15	-69.5	.0002	13.3	.0107
11	2.44	-----	-----	-----	-----
12	1.89	-----	-----	-----	-----
13	1.49	-----	-----	-----	-----
14	1.14	-----	-----	-----	-----
15	0.87	-----	-----	-----	-----

Summer.

0	29.96	76.8	0.588	91.1	0.0735
1000	28.98	75.0	.509	88.5	.0714
2000	27.99	73.2	.441	85.8	.0692
3000	27.01	71.2	.384	83.1	.0671
4000	26.06	68.7	.326	80.7	.0651
5000	25.16	66.2	.281	78.3	.0632
6000	24.25	63.3	0.246	75.9	0.0613
7000	23.43	60.4	.215	73.8	.0596
8000	22.60	57.2	.189	71.6	.0578
9000	21.77	53.8	.163	69.5	.0561
10000	20.94	50.0	.139	67.4	.0544
11000	20.20	46.4	0.119	65.5	0.0529
12000	19.49	42.8	.103	63.6	.0514
13000	18.78	39.4	.089	61.7	.0498
14000	18.07	35.8	.076	59.8	.0483
15000	17.40	32.4	.065	58.0	.0468
16000	16.77	28.9	0.056	56.3	0.0455
17000	16.14	25.7	.047	54.6	.0441
18000	15.55	22.3	.040	53.0	.0428
19000	14.96	18.9	.033	51.3	.0414
20000	14.37	15.4	.028	49.7	.0401

TABLE 4.—Mean values of atmospheric pressures, temperatures, vapor pressures, and densities, based on sounding balloon observations at Fort Omaha, Nebr.; Indianapolis, Ind.; Huron, S. Dak.; and Avalon, Cal. (English measures)—Continued.

Summer—Continued.

Altitude above M. S. L.	Pressures.	Temperatures.	Vapor pressures.	Densities.		
				Feet.	Inches.	° F.
21000	13.82	12.0	.024	48.1	0.0348	
22000	13.31	8.6	.020	46.7	.0377	
23000	12.80	5.1	.017	45.2	.0365	
24000	12.28	1.9	.014	43.7	.0363	
25000	11.77	—1.5	.012	42.2	.0341	
26000	11.33	—4.9	.010	40.9	.0330	
27000	10.87	—8.3	.009	39.6	.0320	
28000	10.43	—11.7	.007	38.3	.0309	
29000	10.00	—15.2	.006	37.0	.0298	
30000	9.57	—18.0	.005	35.7	.0288	
Miles.						
6	8.90	—24.7	.010	33.6	0.0271	
7	7.08	—44.5	.004	28.0	.0226	
8	5.59	—57.5	.001	22.8	.0184	
9	4.37	—66.6	.0002	18.3	.0148	
10	3.39	—72.4	.0001	14.4	.0116	
11	2.64	—68.8	.0002	11.1	0.0090	
12	2.05	—62.7	.0002	8.5	.0069	
13	1.61	—56.9	.0004	6.6	.0053	
14	1.26	—52.4	.0006	5.1	.0041	
15	1.02	—43.1	.0009	4.0	.0033	
16	0.81	—37.5	.0010	3.2	0.0025	
17	0.65	—35.9	.0009	2.5	.0020	
18	0.54	—31.9	.0016	2.1	.0017	
19	0.46	—29.6	.0020	1.8	.0014	
20	0.39	—43.4	.0016	1.5	.0012	

Fall.

0	29.87	74.8	0.433	91.3	0.0737	
1000	28.91	70.0	.382	89.2	.0720	
2000	27.96	65.1	.337	87.1	.0703	
3000	27.02	60.1	.298	85.0	.0686	
4000	26.10	57.0	.265	82.7	.0668	
5000	25.20	54.5	.237	80.2	.0648	
6000	24.32	52.0	.212	77.8	0.0628	
7000	23.44	48.7	.185	75.5	.0610	
8000	22.58	45.1	.158	73.3	.0592	
9000	21.73	41.7	.135	71.1	.0574	
10000	20.90	39.1	.115	68.9	.0556	
11000	20.11	34.5	.097	66.7	0.0539	
12000	19.36	30.6	.081	64.8	.0523	
13000	18.60	27.0	.068	62.7	.0506	
14000	17.89	23.2	.058	60.8	.0491	
15000	17.23	19.4	.049	59.0	.0476	
16000	16.58	15.4	.041	57.3	0.0462	
17000	15.96	11.5	.035	55.6	.0449	
18000	15.35	7.7	.030	53.9	.0435	
19000	14.74	3.7	.025	52.2	.0422	
20000	14.17	0.1	.020	50.6	.0408	
21000	13.61	—3.8	.017	49.0	0.0396	
22000	13.05	—7.4	.014	47.4	.0383	
23000	12.51	—11.2	.012	45.8	.0370	
24000	11.97	—14.8	.010	44.2	.0357	
25000	11.50	—18.4	.008	42.8	.0346	
26000	11.00	—22.0	.007	41.3	0.0333	
27000	10.55	—25.8	.006	40.0	.0323	
28000	10.08	—29.6	.004	38.5	.0311	
29000	9.65	—33.0	.004	37.2	.0300	
30000	9.25	—36.6	.003	35.9	.0290	
Miles.						
6	8.58	—42.9	.002	33.8	0.0273	
7	6.73	—60.0	.0008	27.7	.0223	
8	5.28	—64.7	.0003	22.0	.0177	
9	4.09	—67.0	.0003	17.1	.0138	
10	3.15	—68.1	.0002	13.2	.0107	
11	2.48	—65.2	.0002	10.3	0.0083	
12	1.93	—57.5	.0003	7.9	.0064	
13	1.54	—49.0	.0007	6.2	.0050	
14	1.22	—41.3	.0013	4.8	.0039	
15	0.96	—40.9	.0029	3.8	.0030	
16	0.79	—39.8	.0001	3.1	.0025	
17	0.63	—39.8	.0001	2.5	.0020	
18	0.47	—41.1	.0001	1.8	.0015	

TABLE 4.—Mean values of atmospheric pressures, temperatures, vapor pressures, and densities, based on sounding balloon observations at Fort Omaha, Nebr.; Indianapolis, Ind.; Huron, S. Dak.; and Avalon, Cal. (English measures)—Continued.

Winter.

Altitude above M. S. L.	Pressures.	Temperatures.	Vapor pressures.	Densities.		
				Feet.	Inches.	° F.
0				30.09	42.8	0.134
1000				29.03	38.5	.124
2000				27.96	34.5	.113
3000				26.98	30.6	.102
4000				25.96	28.6	.091
5000				24.96	27.5	.080
6000				24.02	26.6	0.071
7000				23.13	25.2	.062
8000				22.25	22.6	.054
9000				21.36	20.1	.046
10000				20.56	17.2	.039
20000				10.55	—37.7	0.001
27000				10.08	—41.1	.001
28000				9.65	—44.3	.001
29000				9.21	—47.2	.001
30000				8.82	—50.1	.001
Miles.						
6				8.18	—54.0	0.0004
7				6.38	—59.6	.0003
8				5.03	—53.0	.0002
9				3.93	—66.1	.0002
10				3.03	—67.7	.0002
11				2.36	—66.6	0.0002
12				1.81	—66.1	.0002
13				1.42	—65.2	.0002
14				1.10	—51.1	.0002
15				0.87	—50.4	.0002
20000				24.18	48.7	0.188
7000				23.31	45.5	.164
8000				22.46	42.3	.141
9000				21.63	39.0	.121
10000				20.80	35.8	.104
11000				19.99	32.4	0.089
12000				19.24	29.3	.076
13000				18.50	25.9	.065
14000				17.80	22.3	.055
15000				17.13	19.0	.046
16000				16.49	15.8	0.039
17000				15.84	12.2	.032
18000				15.24	8.6	.027
19000				14.63	5.0	.022
20000				14.02	1.4	.019
21000				13.46	—2.2	0.016
22000				12.91	—6.0	.013
23000				12.36	—9.8	.011
24000				11.87	—13.4	.009
25000				11.39	—17.0	.008

Year.

TABLE 4.—*Mean values of atmospheric pressures, temperatures, vapor pressures, and densities, based on sounding balloon observations at Fort Omaha, Nebr.; Indianapolis, Ind.; Huron, S. Dak.; and Avalon, Cal. (English measures)—Continued.*

Year.

Altitude above M. S. L.	Pressures.	Temperatures.	Vapor pressures.	Densities.					
				Feet.	Inches.	°F.	Inches.	%	Lbs./cu. ft.
26000	10.92	-20.6	.0007	40.9	0.0330				
27000	10.48	-24.2	.006	39.5	.0319				
28000	10.01	-27.6	.005	38.1	.0307				
29000	9.59	-31.0	.004	36.8	.0297				
30000	9.20	-34.2	.003	35.5	.0287				
Miles.									
6	8.54	-39.6	.0002	33.4	0.0270				
7	8.77	-54.2	.001	27.4	.0222				
8	5.31	-61.8	.0003	21.9	.0177				
9	4.13	-67.0	.0002	17.3	.0140				
10	3.20	-69.7	.0002	13.5	.0109				
11	2.52	-67.2	.0002	10.6	0.0085				
12	1.98	-62.3	.0002	8.0	.0065				
13	1.57	-58.4	.0003	6.4	.0052				
14	1.22	-50.1	.0007	4.9	.0040				
15	0.95	-41.6	.0014	3.7	.0030				
16	0.75	-38.6	.0008	3.0	0.0025				
17	0.63	-36.4	.0007	2.5	.0020				
18	0.55	-35.1	.0010	2.1	.0017				
19	0.47	-36.8	.0017	1.8	.0015				
20	0.40	-44.0	.0002	1.6	.0013				

TABLE 5.—*Mean annual atmospheric pressures, temperatures, and densities at various heights above sea-level in England.*

Altitude above M. S. L.	Pressure.	Temperature.	Density.
m.	mb.	°A.	kg./cu. m.
0	1014	282	1.253
1000	900	278	1.128
2000	795	273	1.014
3000	699	268	0.909
4000	615	262	0.818
5000	568	255	0.735
6000	489	248	0.658
7000	407	241	0.589

TABLE 6.—*Mean annual densities, as observed at Mount Weather, Va., in the central and western United States and in England.*

Altitude above M. S. L.	Mount Weather, Va.	Central and western United States.	England.
m.	kg./cu. m.	kg./cu. m.	kg./cu. m.
0	1.228	1.202	1.253
1000	1.113	1.094	1.128
2000	1.002	0.984	1.014
3000	0.908	0.892	0.909
4000	0.816	0.807	0.818
5000	0.731	0.723	0.735
6000	* 0.672	0.655	0.658
7000	.....	0.586	0.589

* Based on few observations; figures not regarded as reliable.

THE TURNING OF WINDS WITH ALTITUDE.

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Free-air wind conditions, as observed at Mount Weather, Va., have been summarized in the Bulletin of the Mount Weather Observatory (v. 6, pt. 4) and somewhat more briefly in "Meteorology and Aeronautics" by Maj. Wm. R. Blair, recently published by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics as Report No. 13. The purpose of the present paper is to present some additional conclusions which may be considered as supplementary to those given in the summaries mentioned; and which are believed to be of considerable interest and value to aviators.

In this summary no free-air observations at altitudes less than 1,500 meters have been used. Those from 1,500 to 2,000 meters have been considered as having reached a height of 2,000 meters. A large number of captive balloon records also have been ignored, as they were made when both surface and upper winds were variable, owing to "flat map" conditions (i. e., no well-developed HIGH or LOW), and no regular or consistent turning of the winds was apparent. Finally, on days when more than one observation was made, only one has been considered, except when the records were obtained under radically different conditions (e. g., before and after the passage of a LOW). With these exceptions, all free-air observations ever made at Mount Weather have been considered, including those in the diurnal series work and in the "International" records in 1913-14. These exceptions should be borne in mind in connection with Table 1, which gives the percentage frequency of winds at the surface from 16 directions.

TABLE 1.—*Percentage frequency of surface winds from 16 directions.*

Direction.	Frequency.
N.	1.0
NNE	0.3
NE	0.4
ENE	0.6
E	0.8
ESE	2.8
SE	12.6
SSE	7.8
S	7.8
SSW	3.3
SW	2.9
WSW	3.3
W	7.9
WNW	21.6
NW	24.1
NNW	2.5

The values in this table are slightly different from those in Table 22, v. 6, part 4, Bulletin of the Mount Weather Observatory (repeated in Table 2, p. 44, of Report No. 13, Meteorology and Aeronautics). The latter table is, however, based on observations during 1911-12 only and includes those in which an altitude of less than 1,500 meters was reached. Of the observations in the summer months to a height of less than 1,500 meters, a large proportion were made with a surface wind from north-northeast to east. This wind was in nearly all cases very shallow, and above it there was a layer about 1 kilometer in depth with little, if any, wind. At higher levels clouds, if present, usually indicated a westerly wind. Those observations in winter to less than 1,500 meters in height were usually made in a surface westerly wind which rapidly increased in velocity with altitude, thus beating the kites down. It is probable that these winds would show about the same turning tendencies as those indicated later for the westerly winds.

TABLE 2.—*Mean turning of winds with altitude, when surface winds are of moderate velocity.*

Direction at earth's surface.	Number of observations.	Percentage turning—		
		Clock-wise.	Counter-clock-wise.	Not turning.
N. to ENE.	31	45	35	20
E. to ESE.	50	76	12	12
SE. to SW.	474	94	2	4
WSW.	46	76	7	17
W.	109	51	12	37
WNW.	298	41	29	30
NW.	337	29	40	31
NNW.	34	35	38	27